1	BEFORE THE
0	ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION
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4	ILLINOIS COMMERCE COMMISSION) v.)
5	COMMONWEALTH EDISON COMPANY,)) No. 08-0532
6	Investigation of rate design) pursuant to Section 9-250 of)
_	the Public Utilities Act.)
7	Chicago, Illinois July 22nd, 2009
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	Met pursuant to notice at 10:00 a.m.
9	BEFORE:
_0	MR. TERRENCE HILLIARD and MS. LESLIE HAYNES,
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- JUDGE HILLIARD: On behalf of the Illinois
- 2 Commerce Commission, I call Docket 08-532, the
- 3 Commission versus Commonwealth Edison,
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- 5 Can the parties identify themselves for
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- 1 MR. JENKINS: This is Alan Jenkins for the
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- MR. GOWER: This is Ed Gower, I represent Metra.
- 14 I'm with the law firm Hinshaw and Culbertson, 400
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- 17 JUDGE HILLIARD: Okay, I guess that's all the
- 18 appearances. I scheduled the hearing in connection
- 19 with REACTS motion to delay the testimonial
- 20 schedule and it seemed to me that it was -- it
- 21 might be appropriate to consider bifurcating off
- 22 the issues relating to REACTS DR request from the

- 1 rest of the hearing, because it seems that the rest
- 2 of the parties are marching along to the schedule
- 3 we had already set. So, what do you think about
- 4 that, Mr. Townsend?
- 5 MR. TOWNSEND: Thank, Judge. We have had an
- 6 opportunity to talk about that concept with a
- 7 number of the parties. And at this point, no one
- 8 has been able to figure out how it would be
- 9 possible to separate out just those issues and set
- 10 those aside, because they go to the heart of the
- 11 imbedded cost of service study, kind of testing the
- 12 validity of the imbedded cost of service study with
- 13 regards to the extra large customers.
- 14 The general consensus is that if you're
- 15 taking the costs associated from that group and
- 16 reducing it, you would have to be increasing the
- 17 costs somewhere else. And the whole question of
- 18 how that would occur and what the impact of that
- 19 would be, is something that the parties wanted to
- 20 understand better, in light of the positions that
- 21 would be developed in response to the data
- 22 requests, rather that in isolation.

- 1 So at this point, although we've talked
- 2 to a number of the parties, we have not been able
- 3 to figure out how we would, in fact, be able to
- 4 split those apart, as a matter of kind of
- 5 evidentiary proof. In addition, parties, including
- 6 REACT, have concerns about the additional cost of
- 7 having separate hearings and having to go through
- 8 the hearing process two separate times.
- 9 JUDGE HILLIARD: What does the Company have to
- 10 say about these issues?
- MR. ROONEY: Well, first of all, your Honor, last
- 12 night, I believe you were recipients of Com Ed's
- 13 second supplemental response to REACT 2.3A. That
- 14 response, the Company believes, provides REACT, in
- 15 conjunction with your ruling, the information that
- 16 Com Ed currently has readily available to provide
- 17 on the -- both the facilities and the cost related
- 18 to those facilities and I won't get into the
- 19 details of the DR response.
- I spoke to Mr. Townsend last evening,
- 21 understandably he may need some more time to
- 22 consider what we've provided. The Company

- 1 certainly has no objection to rescheduling hearings
- 2 to meet whatever needs to be done. And in terms of
- 3 the Company's view, the one issue that they would
- 4 like to have is the 14 days that was currently
- 5 contemplated to file surrebuttal testimony related
- 6 to any rebuttal testimony once it gets filed.
- 7 So if, in fact, either Mr. Townsend or
- 8 the ALJ's don't believe more is required of this DR
- 9 response, we certainly think that's probably an
- 10 issue that needs to get resolved and then go
- 11 forward with the scheduling. But right now we're
- 12 willing to -- we have no objection to moving the
- 13 schedule to resolve these other issues before we
- 14 move forward.
- MR. TOWNSEND: Your Honor, again, I don't know if
- 16 you've even had a chance to review the response
- 17 from Com Ed, but even within that response they
- 18 appear to acknowledge that the information that
- 19 they provided last night was not complete. And
- 20 instead they offer up an alternative approach that
- 21 they might be able to implement in a 6-month period
- 22 of time.

- 1 Now, that raises a whole set of
- 2 additional questions that we have as to that
- 3 approach. But even on the face of the response,
- 4 it's not suggesting that it has provided the
- 5 information that has been requested. So at this
- 6 point, we certainly don't view that as being
- 7 satisfying our data request or the ruling of the
- 8 ALJ's, that the Company respond fully to the data
- 9 request.
- 10 MR. ROONEY: And I don't want to plow over old
- 11 ground, your Honor. Our concern, when we read the
- 12 ruling of last week and the ruling indicated a --
- 13 that we want -- that you wanted to go forward with
- 14 the hearings on August 10th, we provided as much
- 15 information as we had available, which is
- 16 consistent with what we thought your ruling
- 17 indicated.
- 18 Yes, we would have to do work beyond
- 19 what's readily available and we identified that.
- 20 If the ALJ's believe that that's something we
- 21 should do, it's Com Ed's position we want to meet
- 22 whatever the ALJ's want to do to make that ruling

- 1 take place. So I'm not here to, kind of like Mark
- 2 McGuire, I'm not hear to talk about the past, I'm
- 3 hear to talk about the future.
- 4 JUDGE HILLIARD: Interesting analogy, Mr. Rooney.
- 5 MR. ROONEY: In any event, I think the bottom
- 6 line is is the Company wants to comply with the
- 7 ALJ's ruling and interpretation of that ruling. So
- 8 whether this response meets it, whether the ALJ's
- 9 would like the Company to engage in further
- 10 exercise that's reflected in the DR response,
- 11 certainly we would look for any guidance that the
- 12 ALJ's may have in that regard.
- But in terms of the schedule, I believe,
- 14 as Mr. Townsend indicated, there would be issues
- 15 with attempting to bifurcate. Maybe the only issue
- 16 that possibly could be bifurcated would be the
- 17 customer care cost issue, since that really isn't a
- 18 question of taking a cost and moving it from one
- 19 customer class to another within the cost study,
- 20 but actually eliminating that cost entirely from
- 21 the distribution revenue requirement and moving it
- 22 over to the comply side. If, in fact, that was

- 1 what was done at the end of the day.
- 2 But other than that, I think we concur
- 3 with the other party's view on the bifurcation
- 4 issue.
- 5 JUDGE HILLIARD: Anybody else want to talk.
- 6 MR. REDDICK: Conrad Reddick for IIEC. Your
- 7 Honor, would it be appropriate to inquire of Com Ed
- 8 at this point, after they have had an opportunity
- 9 to review REACT's modification of its request and
- 10 your qualifications on the DR, whether their time
- 11 frame for compliance has changed? IIEC is
- 12 concerned that we not have an unduly lengthy delay
- 13 in addressing these issues.
- 14 MR. JENKINS: Your Honor, this is Alan Jenkins
- 15 for the Commercial Group. We would echo that.
- 16 Keep in mind, the administrative law judges, that
- 17 this is an expedited hearing and customers in our
- 18 group are being harmed by current subsidies that
- 19 have been shown and customers like REACT and that
- 20 group tend to benefit from extended delay. So
- 21 however this is resolved, we would urge you to
- 22 continue this on at least a more expedited

- 1 schedule. Thank you.
- 2 MR. TOWNSEND: Your Honor, if I may, in response
- 3 to Mr. Jenkins, obviously that is one of the
- 4 questions that we're trying to test, by getting the
- 5 additional information, is the assertion by those
- 6 like Mr. Jenkins who has testified here today that
- 7 he believes that there is a subsidy out there for
- 8 the REACT members.
- 9 Obviously the testimony that we have
- 10 submitted by our experts suggests quite the
- 11 contrary, that the subsidy may be going the other
- 12 way. And so that, again, is why we need to get the
- 13 additional data to see if the imbedded cost of
- 14 service study does, in fact, have a basis in
- 15 reality or if the assumptions that are in it are
- 16 incorrect and suggest that it is quite the opposite
- 17 of what Mr. Jenkins has suggested in that REACT is,
- 18 in fact, subsidizing other customers and other
- 19 large customers are subsidizing other customers.
- 20 JUDGE HILLIARD: Did I understand the colloquy to
- 21 suggest that Com Ed has decided it can give a more
- 22 expansive response, but not necessarily to the

- 1 detail that REACT wants, but it was going to take
- 2 about 6 months; is that right?
- 3 MR. ROONEY: Your Honor, we said yesterday we
- 4 provided information that provides what we have
- 5 currently available. We've proposed that if, in
- 6 fact, there is a need to go beyond what is readily
- 7 available, we have proposed an alternative that is
- 8 reflected on Page 3 of the response we supplemented
- 9 last night. That, again, it wouldn't be the
- 10 expansive specific studies that we discussed in our
- 11 motion for reconsideration, but it would, instead,
- 12 be a more simplified approach that could be
- 13 accomplished in approximately 6 months at a reduced
- 14 cost.
- So, in terms of time frame, that's where
- 16 we stand. If the ALJ's or obviously -- we've
- 17 provided everything that we have readily available,
- 18 it will take time to create more that we currently
- 19 don't have. The alternative approach we've
- 20 identified would be about 6 months to accomplish at
- 21 the expense I identified.
- 22 MR. TOWNSEND: Your Honor, this entire process

- 1 where Com Ed is now providing you with the
- 2 responses to the data requests and trying to
- 3 essentially reargue what it is that they have to
- 4 provide in response to the data requests seems
- 5 entirely inappropriate.
- 6 Com Ed did not approach REACT at any
- 7 time prior to serving this data request response,
- 8 suggesting that there was an alternative approach
- 9 that Com Ed is considering. Com Ed did not inform
- 10 the Commerce Commission that there was an
- 11 alternative approach, but instead left your Honor
- 12 to believe that the only way in which they could
- 13 respond to the data request was a time frame that
- 14 would take up to a year and could cost up to a
- 15 million dollars. So for them to spring, on the eve
- 16 of this status hearing, without having any kind of
- 17 substantive discussion with us and a suggestion
- 18 that that should now guide what it is that you are
- 19 going to do today, in terms of a ruling, seems
- 20 entirely inappropriate.
- 21 They have not responded to a data
- 22 request that you have directed them to respond to.

- 1 Their timing for being able to respond to that
- 2 fully, I think, still remains a question as to how
- 3 long it is, in fact, going to take them. But this
- 4 whole idea that there is now an alternative
- 5 approach that might be able to satisfy, within some
- 6 time, and that they provided some information that
- 7 they admit is not fully responsive to the data
- 8 request, all that does is suggest that we are at a
- 9 position right now where we really don't know what
- 10 the timing is going to be in order to be able to
- 11 get a full and complete response from Com Ed. And
- 12 that until we do get a further response from Com
- 13 Ed, we're not going to be able to know whether or
- 14 not we're ready for hearings.
- 15 JUDGE HILLIARD: Additionally, or I just want to
- 16 pin down where we're at with the rest of these
- 17 things. We issued a ruling on the 17th regarding a
- 18 couple other outstanding issues. What kind of time
- 19 parameters do you have responding to those
- 20 Mr. Rooney?
- 21 MR. ROONEY: Consistent with your ruling, your
- 22 Honor, and as I informed Mr. Townsend last evening,

- 1 it is Com Ed's goal to respond to those DR's by the
- 2 end of this week.
- 3 JUDGE HILLIARD: What we think would be a
- 4 reasonable course of action here, would be to give
- 5 REACT and any other interested parties a chance to
- 6 review the data requests and to make known any
- 7 objections you have with Com Ed's response and Com
- 8 Ed can reply to whatever problems REACT or whoever
- 9 has with your response. Taking into account
- 10 Mr. Townsend's suggestion, I think the parties can
- 11 also use this period, if they choose to, to, within
- 12 the time limits provided by the Commission rules,
- 13 to make any interlocutory appeals. After we have
- 14 whatever writings the parties choose to make on
- 15 these matter, we'll take this to the Commission,
- 16 because it seems it's going to require a potential
- 17 modification of the schedule.
- 18 So why don't we see if we can agree upon
- 19 a schedule for this potential -- for what is going
- 20 to happen now. So how much time do you think
- 21 you're going to need to review your data request
- 22 and respond to it?

- 1 MR. TOWNSEND: At this point we still have data
- 2 request responses that Com Ed is due to provide to
- 3 us by the end of the week. So at this point, I
- 4 don't know how long it's going to take to review
- 5 responses I haven't seen. But certainly I would
- 6 imagine if we had 2 weeks after that to be able to
- 7 review them, discuss them with our clients, I would
- 8 imagine that that would be sufficient time for us.
- 9 JUDGE HILLIARD: So you want until August 7th; is
- 10 that right? About right?
- 11 MR. TOWNSEND: That will be fine.
- 12 JUDGE HILLIARD: And how much time does Com Ed
- 13 need to respond?
- MR. ROONEY: A week will be fine, your Honor.
- JUDGE HILLIARD: That will be August 14th.
- 16 MR. TOWNSEND: Just so I understand, your Honor,
- 17 I think that at this point the only question will
- 18 be, on August 7th, whether or not Com Ed has
- 19 responded to the data requests in a manner that is
- 20 satisfactory to REACT.
- 21 Because, again, they've admitted that,
- 22 you know, in order for them to fully respond to the

- 1 data request, that it's going to take them around
- 2 6 months. And so -- and they've been ordered to do
- 3 that. So I'm not sure what it is that Com Ed would
- 4 further respond to. On the 7th, we'll advise the
- 5 Commission whether or not --
- 6 JUDGE HILLIARD: Well, if you were to say, for
- 7 instance, that what they are proposing is totally
- 8 unsatisfactory, and they say well, no, it's not.
- 9 Well, then we can make a ruling on that and take a
- 10 recommendation to the Commission, something along
- 11 those lines.
- 12 MR. TOWNSEND: Okay.
- JUDGE HILLIARD: And then you've got, what is it,
- 14 21 days to do an interlocutory appeal?
- 15 MR. TOWNSEND: I think the timing actually
- 16 coincides essentially with that.
- 17 JUDGE HILLIARD: You can make a decision on what
- 18 you're doing with regard to interlocutory appeals
- 19 in the same period of time.
- 20 MR. ROONEY: I guess where we're at, your Honor,
- 21 is we're going to be looking for guidance from you.
- 22 I would disagree with Mr. Townsend on one point,

- 1 you know. We think that the question is whether or
- 2 not our responses meet your ruling, as opposed to
- 3 what REACT desires. And for us it boils down to a
- 4 question of, is what the ALJ's wanted was us to
- 5 produce everything that we could reasonably produce
- 6 now or to engage in these studies to produce things
- 7 we didn't have. And just that clarification, for
- 8 us, would be helpful. And once we get that
- 9 clarification, that would guide us on if we wanted
- 10 to file a petition for interlocutory review or not.
- 11 And so I guess what I would ask for is
- 12 that once we got -- assuming what REACT files on
- 13 the 7th, and assuming what Com Ed files on the
- 14 14th, once we got an ALJ ruling on the entire
- 15 issue, then we would -- we would be in a position
- 16 to not wait 21 days or anything like that to
- 17 determine what we're going to do on interlocutory.
- 18 My concern is is that your ruling with
- 19 regard to the motion for reconsideration came out a
- 20 week ago Monday. And given the time frame and the
- 21 time that REACT has requested to review our DR
- 22 responses, the 21 days is going to lapse. And we

- 1 would just rather be in a position to get clarity
- 2 from the ALJ's as to whether or not this
- 3 appropriate or not. And if not, then we'll be in a
- 4 position to move from there.
- 5 MR. TOWNSEND: Your Honor, Com Ed has been
- 6 directed to respond to REACT's data requests. I
- 7 don't know how many bites of the apple they think
- 8 that they should be able to get here, but they now
- 9 have come out with another approach that they think
- 10 that they should be able to put before you in order
- 11 to be able to respond to the data requests. They
- 12 have an obligation now to respond to the data
- 13 request.
- 14 According to their own response, what
- 15 they gave to us, last night, after the close of
- 16 business, is not responsive to -- is not fully
- 17 responsive to the data question.
- 18 MR. ROONEY: It doesn't say that, your Honor.
- 19 MR. TOWNSEND: You've developed an alternative
- 20 approach to estimate the cost information for the
- 21 14 REACT members.
- 22 MR. ROONEY: Notwithstanding the lack of

- 1 available data, which I guess goes to the core of
- 2 it. And all we're seeking is clarification from
- 3 the ALJ's.
- 4 MR. TOWNSEND: The ALJ's were fully informed that
- 5 Com Ed believed that it was going to take them time
- 6 in order to be able to develop the information that
- 7 was requested by the data requests, Com Ed argued
- 8 that repeatedly and they sought to argue it even
- 9 after the close of the hearings. And the ALJ's
- 10 have been very clear in saying we understand that
- 11 it's going to take time for Com Ed to be able to
- 12 develop that data, but you have an obligation to
- 13 respond to that data request.
- And now they're saying, well, maybe we
- 15 don't have that obligation. And that's exactly the
- 16 same thing that they said in their motion for
- 17 reconsideration and you were very clear in saying
- 18 you do have that obligation. As a matter of fact,
- 19 you have had multiple opportunities, prior to
- 20 filing your motion for reconsideration to present
- 21 those arguments and you didn't present the same
- 22 level of detail and now they come out with yet

- 1 another detail and they say, well, now we can try
- 2 something else. And they want you to reconsider
- 3 again your ruling on the motion to compel. You've
- 4 made a ruling --
- 5 JUDGE HILLIARD: I understand your point. All
- 6 right, Judge Haynes has made, I think, a fine
- 7 suggestion. There is a Commission meeting on the
- 8 19th, we're going to -- our plan, right now, is to
- 9 take the information, the writings, the objections
- 10 of both parties and present them to the Commission
- 11 with our analysis of the situation and ask the
- 12 Commission to make a ruling on this whole ball of
- 13 wax, so that we can have direction and not have to
- 14 short step this every couple weeks for another
- 15 briefing schedule or whatever.
- 16 So I think we would like to hear REACT's
- 17 and anybody else's objections by the 7th, to the
- 18 latest response to data requests and Com Ed's reply
- 19 on the 14th. And we will put this on the agenda
- 20 for the August 19th -- maybe we'll put it on for
- 21 the 25th, which is the following meeting and we'll
- 22 leave it up to the Commission to give us some

- 1 direction. Okay.
- 2 MR. TOWNSEND: Okay.
- 3 MR. ROONEY: Great.
- 4 MR. TOWNSEND: And so the timing for petitions
- 5 for interlocutory review remains the same as what's
- 6 reflected in the Commission's rules?
- 7 JUDGE HAYNES: If a party wants to appeal our
- 8 July 17th ruling, yes.
- 9 JUDGE HILLIARD: Or any other ruling.
- 10 MR. FOSCO: Your Honor, does that mean that the
- 11 hearings are now postponed until after that
- 12 direction from the Commission?
- 13 JUDGE HILLIARD: I think that's got to be the
- 14 case. Anything further?
- 15 MR. JENKINS: And your Honor, just to clarify,
- 16 the schedule on August 14th, those are comments to
- 17 any objections of REACT or are those comments for
- 18 the Commission about the overall issue with respect
- 19 to this customer specific data collection?
- 20 JUDGE HILLIARD: Well, I think I'll leave that up
- 21 to you, Mr. Jenkins. You can make whatever
- 22 response you think is appropriate.

- 1 MR. TOWNSEND: I mean, perhaps, your Honor, what
- 2 we -- what it sounds like that modification would
- 3 be is that parties file positions on the 7th, with
- 4 regards to where we're at with the current status
- 5 and then we get a chance to file responses to those
- 6 positions on the 14th?
- JUDGE HAYNES: Well, I think for you we're
- 8 looking for, perhaps, your take on whether or not
- 9 Com Ed has completely responded to your data
- 10 requests.
- 11 MR. TOWNSEND: I can provide you with that answer
- 12 today. This response is not completely responsive.
- JUDGE HAYNES: And why, but in writing, please.
- 14 MR. TOWNSEND: But even within the response, they
- 15 say that if we want to get the underlying
- 16 information it's going to take 6 months underneath
- 17 this alternative approach. And so from our
- 18 perspective, I think, the only question is, we
- 19 still want the underlying information, the only
- 20 question is would the alternative approach seem
- 21 reasonable to us. And, again, we've only got one
- 22 paragraph here that gives us guidance as to whether

- 1 or not the alternative approach would be
- 2 acceptable.
- JUDGE HILLIARD: If you can do that today, why do
- 4 you need 2 weeks? What are you doing with the
- 5 2 weeks?
- 6 MR. TOWNSEND: I'm trying to understand a little
- 7 bit more as to what it is that is being proposed by
- 8 Com Ed within this and also trying to digest what
- 9 it is that we actually are getting in this
- 10 additional informing. Which, I think, is also
- 11 going to inform us on a petition for interlocutory
- 12 review on the prior ruling.
- 13 Further, we don't have some of the
- 14 responses yet from Com Ed and so those responses
- 15 that we'll get at the end of this week could also
- 16 inform whatever position that we're going to take
- 17 in a couple of weeks.
- 18 JUDGE HILLIARD: Then I think the briefing
- 19 schedule should be August 7th, parties can comment
- 20 upon the data -- responses to data requests. And
- 21 on August 14th, people can comment on the schedule
- 22 modification issue or on the objections to the data

- 1 requests. Okay?
- 2 MR. ROONEY: Okay.
- 3 JUDGE HILLIARD: Then we'll be adjourned until --
- 4 I guess we'll need some kind of a date. We'll
- 5 schedule another status for how about
- 6 September 1st?
- 7 MR. TOWNSEND: Okay.
- 8 MR. ROONEY: Great.
- 9 JUDGE HILLIARD: 10:00 a.m.
- 10 MR. FOSCO: Is it possible to have it on the
- 11 2nd, only because staff is finishing hearings in
- 12 the Peoples case, staff is.
- 13 JUDGE HILLIARD: All right, September 2nd at
- 14 10:00 a.m. then.
- 15 (Whereupon the above-entitled
- 16 matter was continued to September
- 2nd, 2009 at 10:00 a.m.)
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